

BIG CHANGES COMING TO HARRISON WEST! ARE THEY GOOD FOR US?

Victorian Village Society Hosts
Richard Sheir Discussing Stadium/Arena
Local neighborhoods invited
Thursday, March 20, 7 pm

New Life Methodist Church, 25 W. Fifth Ave. 1/2 block west of High

Society meets Thurs. March 13, 7:30, Godman Guild
Stadium - Arena Right for Harrison West?
Resolution to Adopt-a-Waterway ODNR clean-up program
'97 HW Garden Tour - HW Park Rededication
Coffee at 7:30 PM

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Councilman Sensenbrenner Helpful

If you missed the last meeting, you missed an opportunity both to listen to Councilmember Sensenbrenner's ideas and attitudes and to grill him on what Council is doing for our neighborhood.

At the meeting, he was asked questions regarding the repair and upkeep of the neighborhood's alleys.

The next day, he called Craig Copeland at 8:55 AM and suggested that we inquire into participation in the Columbus' Urban Infrastructure Recovery Program, having already made calls to the appropriate people to hook up Harrison West with the Community Development Block Grant program.

With assistance from the Councilman, the Society contacted the City Planning Department.

He had already called the Parking Violations Bureau to investigate assigning officers to enforce permit parking, following up on the concerns of new neighbors Chris Evans & Holly Wiseman, 1081 Harrison, who say they can't leave their house at night, or they won't find a parking place when they come back.

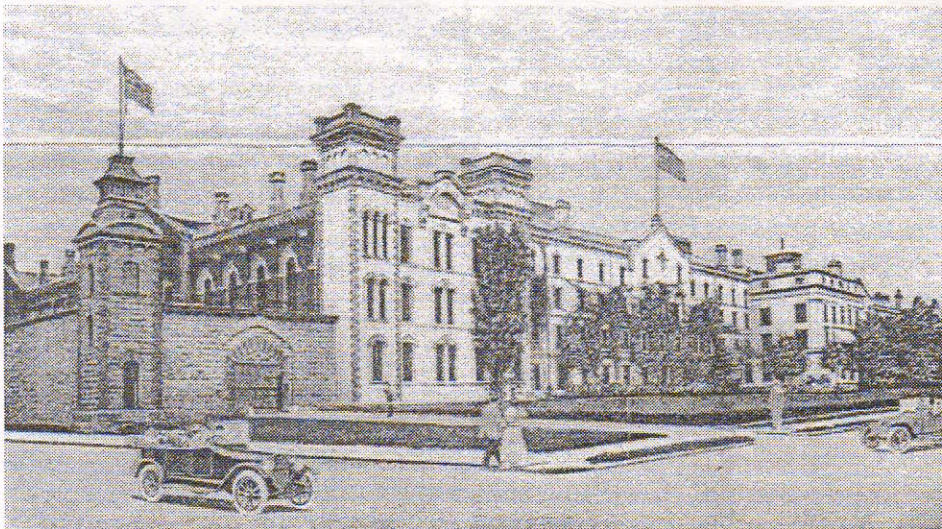
"People pay for the service from the city. I believe they should get what they pay for," he says. ♦

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Top Ten Reasons for Stadium

At the February 24 City Council meeting, Craig Cahill, from Franklinton, read this tongue-in-cheek Letterman-esq list. Cahill, like many civic leaders, is concerned that the stadium, with only 16 soccer games per year, will really be a 40,000 seat "Polaris like" music venue or will host truck and tractor pulls as outlined in the stadium feasibility study.

10. Will create an excess of minimum wage jobs.
9. Will make some really rich men even richer at public expense.
8. Will create major Midnight traffic jams downtown, making Columbus a real 18-hour a day city.
7. Will kill downtown residential development due to noise pollution, congestion, trash, etc.
6. Will create some legendary tailgate parties at Goodale Park and in every parking space within a mile of the stadium.
5. Will give the Columbus Police and Sanitation Departments more overtime.
4. Will put Columbus back on the map, now that the trash-burning power plant is shut down.
3. Won't have to wait until the State Fair in August to hear the sound of super-charged nitro-burning truck and tractor pulls.
2. Will provide free "Polaris-style" entertainment to everyone living and/or working within miles of the stadium whether they like Metallica or not.
1. Will give Columbus taxpayers an opportunity to say "I told you so" in a few years. ♦



Open House to Save the Pen. This 1920s postcard view of the Ohio Pen clearly outlines the interesting and unique architecture that makes up the Spring Street facade. Plan to attend an Open House Forum to discuss future use of the Ohio Pen site for Stadium-Arena or other uses. It's an opportunity to raise questions about the adverse effects of traffic, noise, parking, etc. on Harrison West, Victorian Village, Italian Village and Franklinton and support a future for the Ohio Pen, March 12, 4 PM, Dept. of Development Office at 109 Front Street. ♦

HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 1997

Submitted by: Joseph L. Spinelli
Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Craig Copeland opened the meeting by introducing our guest speaker Councilmember Sensenbrenner. Craig announced that this portion of the meeting would be a question/answer format. Councilmember Sensenbrenner started the meeting out by saying that "Craig Copeland has represented your neighborhood well with issues brought to the attention of city council." He stated that City Council is supportive with issues that continually affect our neighborhood. The main topics included the condition of our alleys and the impact of the proposed arena.

Maddy Weisz, Chair of the Membership Committee, announced that the renewal letter was ready to go out in the mail. She also discussed the possibility of having a membership potluck. Joe Spinelli, resident and owner of the new

Manhattan Bagel opening on Neil Avenue, will be paying for the renewal membership mailing and donating "19 FREE Bagels" to every person who joins the Harrison West Society.

John Cowan made a motion to pay all the bills related to the Harrison West Society this month. Seconded by Mary Funk. Motion passed.

Craig Copeland announced that the liquor license hearing review for Michigan Market was held and currently waiting on the decision from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control.

Steve Tway made a motion to draft a letter of concern about the traffic impacts and seconded by Pastor Morris. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Craig Copeland announced that he would like to have the park dedication the weekend of the Harrison West Garden Tour.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m. ♦

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Harrison West Society meets 2nd Thursday of each month at Godman Guild, 7:30 pm.

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Sensenbrenner to Help Harrison West Gain Entry to Urban Recovery Program

Councilmember Sensenbrenner is helping Harrison West gain membership in the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Program.

In 1993, City Council passed legislation establishing the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Program. The Program encourages neighborhoods to develop and prioritize a list of five projects which the neighborhood itself deems necessary. Historically, there has been sufficient annual funding for the Program to implement at least one (usually the highest ranking) project in each participating neighborhood.

Unfortunately, Harrison West was not included in the original Act, so the Society has requested it be amended to include Harrison West as a participant.

If Program participation is granted, the neighborhood would have an excellent chance to implement our top

project within 18 months. Thanks, Councilman Richard Sensenbrenner. ♦

Stadium & Arena Positions

For more on the Stadium/Arena and what our local neighborhoods are doing about it, attend the Thursday, March 20, Victorian Village Society Meeting where Richard Sheir, aka the *Stadium Slayer*, will address the members. This meeting will be held at the New Life Methodist Church at 25 W. Fifth, 7 pm.

Then, on April 17, Doug Kriedler, point man for the downtown arena project and spokesman for Columbus Tomorrow, will address the Society. This should be interesting, as he tells our neighborhoods why the Stadium/Arena will be good for us. ♦

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Is Columbus Big Enough for Two Arenas?

The February 28 *Business First* raised questions about whether Columbus can attract enough events to keep the OSU arena and the Downtown arena busy.

They covered these points:

The OSU 19,500 seat arena is slated to open in 1998.

The 21,000 seat Downtown arena is slated to open in 2000 if the voters approve a .5% sales tax.

Some business experts think the Columbus metro area can't support two arenas and the stadium. Veterans Memorial Auditorium, Mershon, the state fairgrounds, Polaris, the Ohio Theater and the Palace Theater will also be in competition.

Cleveland and Cincinnati already draw business to their arenas from Columbus. ♦

Whittier Peninsula Park Needs Active Supporters

Despite nearly overwhelming support at the Riverfront Commons Forums for a public park on the Whittier Peninsula, such public use seems less and less likely as the Riverfront Commons Corporation begins the planning process.

Already the Recreation and Parks people are hedging their answers about the future of the natural areas on the Whittier Peninsula, being unwilling to commit to protecting even the wooded bike path already there.

The City of Columbus seems committed to handing the Peninsula over to the private developers in the interests of "more profitable uses."

Before it's too late, trek down to the boat landing at the Greenlawn dam to see what we're all losing. Then get involved to save the Peninsula Park. ♦

Traffic Island Funraiser

The traffic calming islands on Neil Avenue will benefit all of us as they slow down the traffic pouring through our neighborhoods. The City is installing the islands, but they've left it up to the neighborhoods to landscape and decorate them.

To that end, the Victorian Village Society is hosting a fundraiser at the Frick Law Center, 1265 Neil Avenue on March 12.

Refreshments will be served from 5:30 to 8:30PM.

The landscape architects will show their plans, and officials from the Traffic Calming Division, the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the City Forestry Department will be on hand. The suggested donation is \$20. Call Ann Koeliner at 291-1776 for reservations. ♦

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HWS Membership Drive on Track

Dues are rolling in. That hot pink invitation put together by Maddy Weisz and her committee conveys the excitement and the fun of membership, and it's working.

As if the rewards of joining the Harrison West Society weren't enough, now the Membership Chair has added the 1st Annual Membership Potluck.

May 18, at 5 pm at 1219 Harrison Avenue. It's for old members, new members, and people who are thinking about becoming a member. Bring a covered dish and your table service.

See, the benefits of membership go on and on. ♦

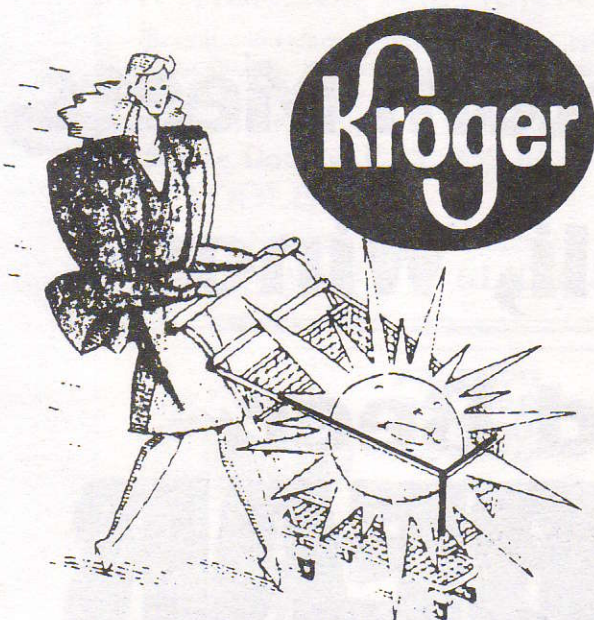
Good-bye to the Third Avenue Bridge ...

it was stronger than everyone thought



The pounding noise that's resonating through the neighborhood is the giant jack hammer that's tearing down the Third Avenue bridge. For a bridge that was supposed to be falling down, it's proving to be one tough bridge. It's taking a lot of power to demolish it.

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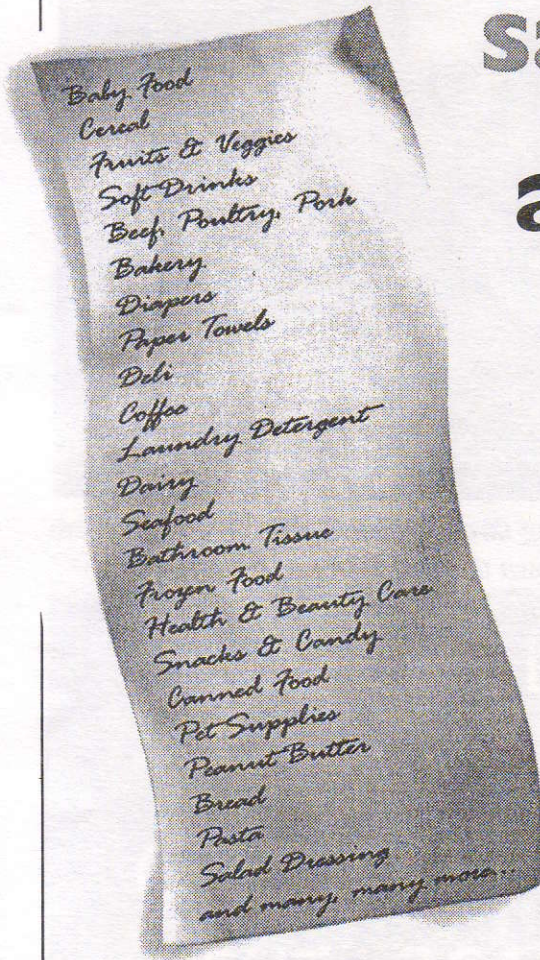
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HWS persuaded Battelle to do landscaping upgrades of **\$1.5 million** in the new parking lot expansion.

Join the Society and help pull in even more money in 1997 to fix up and beautify our neighborhood. No matter how long you've lived in Harrison West, you know the neighborhood is getting better in every way. Most of the credit goes to the people who have worked so hard to make it happen. And much of the credit goes to the Harrison West Society.

Muscle West

You could say the Society is our neighborhood's muscle. As individuals, we don't have much strength. As a group of vocal, energetic, determined Society members, we can GET THE MONEY. And we can get the City to treat us with more respect and look out for our interests. We can get neighborhood businesses to help us make Harrison West a better place to live.

The operative word is WE, which is why YOU should join the Harrison West Society right now. ♦

I Want to Join the Harrison West Society**Sign Me Up for
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✓ Finished the Harrison West Park, including benches, flowers, and a fine fence

✓ Held the outstandingly successful Harrison West Garden Tour

✓ Persuaded the County Engineer to redesign the King and Third Avenue bridge replacements to be more historically accurate in keeping with our neighborhood's historic architecture

✓ Represented our neighborhood's interests at the Riverfront Commons Forums

✓ Addressed Code Enforcement Issues throughout the neighborhood

✓ Represented the neighborhoods' interest with Abitec signage

✓ Influenced the school reassignments

✓ Lobbied successfully, with other organizations, for the I-670 Cap which will connect us with Downtown

✓ Sponsored the first Harrison West Holiday Lights Contest

✓ Organized a Spring Alley Clean Up Day ♦

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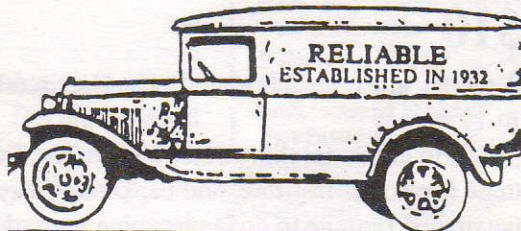
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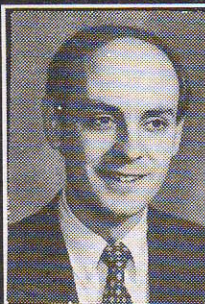
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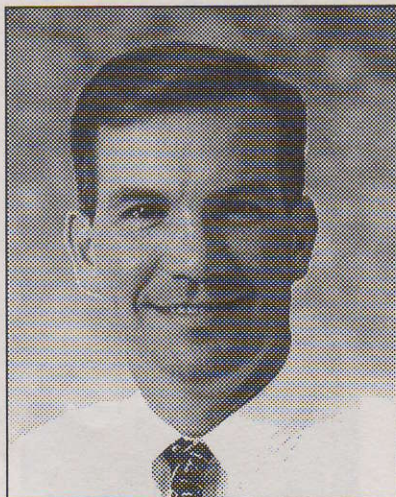
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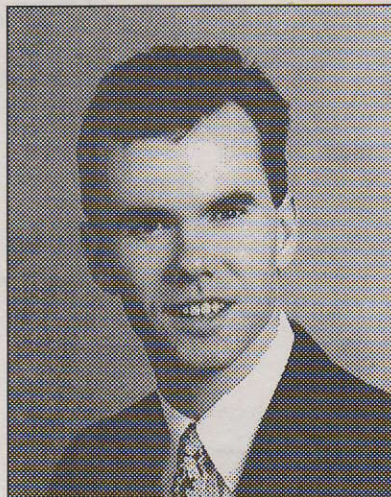
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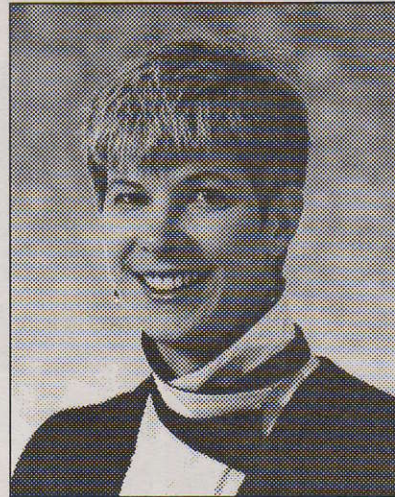
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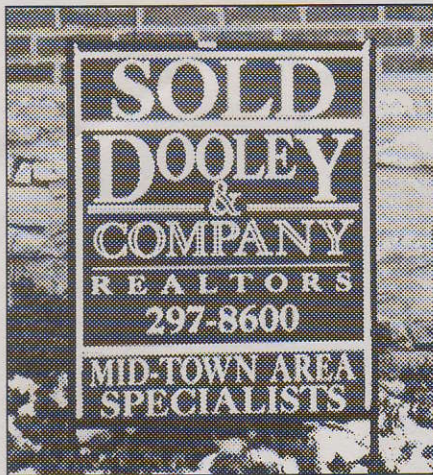
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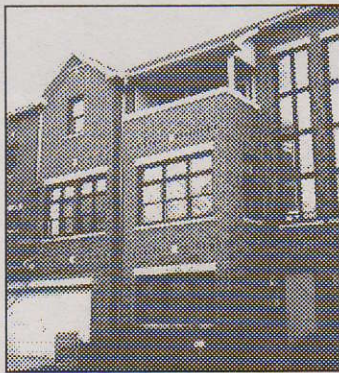
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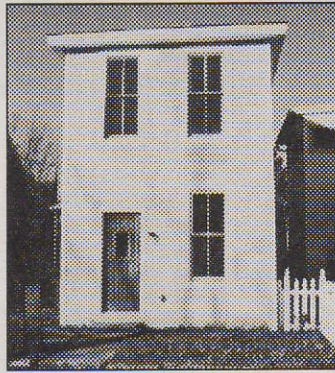
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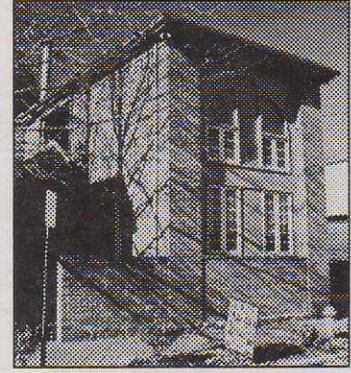
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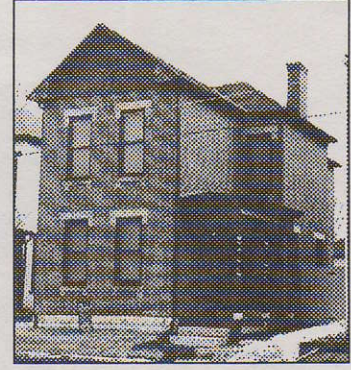
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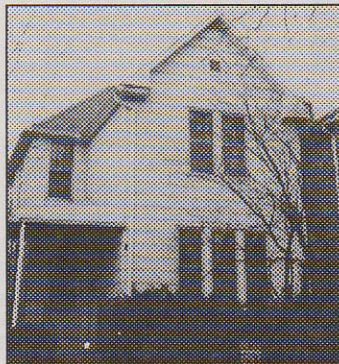
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